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Microsoft, through it's monopolistic policies has stifled innovation leaving consumers with technology that is years behind where it would otherwise be. While I applaud the governments efforts to correct this situation the proposed settlement will do little to correct the situation.

The terms of the agreement are too specific and will do nothing more than slightly change the manner in which Microsoft bullies the industry. Any settlement agreed on by the government should be more than a slap on the wrist. Microsoft has been found guilty of engaging in monopolistic practices and should be punished accordingly. More importantly they should be stopped from restricting innovation.

Microsoft is becoming the only software company in America. This will ultimately hurt this country as other nations seek alternatives to Microsoft products and ultimately become the ones innovating new technologies.

Thank you,

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